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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6795

BILL NUMBER: SB 349

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 23, 2009

BILL AMENDED: Feb 19, 2009

SUBJECT: Study of Health Facility Dispute Resolution and Surveyor Training.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Charbonneau

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
X FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill requires the Health Finance Commission to study during the 2009 interim session the following: (1) the need for appropriate and uniform training for Indiana State Department of Health (ISDH) employees who inspect health facilities; and (2) whether the ISDH should establish a third-party dispute resolution process for health facility appeals of survey report findings.

Effective Date: July 1, 2009.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This bill would require the Health Finance Commission to include this topic in the Commission's work plan for the 2009 interim session.

During the 2008 interim, the 23-member Commission held four meetings and spent approximately \$9,400. Legislative Council resolutions in the past have established budgets for interim study committees in the amount of \$16,500 per interim for committees with more than 16 members, such as the Health Finance Commission.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Legislative Services Agency.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources:

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